



PATENT APPLICATION  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the PATENT application of

Tom Thuan CHEUNG

Serial No.: 09/364,315

Group Art Unit: 2152

Filed: July 30, 1999

Examiner: Hai V. Nguyen

For: A MULTI-CONNECTION CONTROL SYSTEM

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2001, Applicant submits  
the remarks set forth below.

**REMARKS**

Regarding preliminary matters, in the Office Action the Examiner requests  
submission of formal drawings, however, the formal drawings were submitted on  
September 7, 1999. The formal drawings are re-submitted herewith.

Claims 1-30 are all the claims pending in the application and stand rejected under  
35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Heath et al. ("Heath") in view of White.  
Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection at least because the asserted combination  
does not include all the limitations recited in the claims and because there is no teaching